THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C. LENKA) : (a) the details are :

1. Road over bridge at Vishakapatnam
2. Road over bridge at Vikarabad
3. Road over bridge at Gudur
4. Road over bridge at Ajitsingh Nagar
5. Road over bridge at Ghakesar
6. Road over bridge near Kavali station
7. Road over bridge between Thimmapur-Shadnagar
8. Road over bridge between Jamai Osmania-Vidyanagar
9. Road over bridge between Palakolul-Goritanda
10. Road over bridge between Mancherial-Peddampet
11. Road over bridge between Anakapalli-Thadi
12. Road over bridge between Thadi-Duvvada
13. Road over bridge between Mehbub Nagar-Manyakonda
14. Road over bridge between Kazipet-Pindal
15. Road over bridge between Timmapur-Umdanagar

(b) Completion of the works would depend on timely construction of the approaches by the State Govt./Road Authority.

हिमाचल प्रदेश में नाममात्र की रेल सेवाएं

1222. **श्री महेश्वर सिंह** : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि हिमाचल प्रदेश में नाममात्र की ही रेल सेवाएं हैं ;

(ख) क्या वर्तमान रेल सुविधाओं में सुधार करने और हिमाचल प्रदेश के और अन्य भागों में रेल सुविधा उपलब्ध कराने के लिए सरकार की कोई योजना है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के. सी. लेंका) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग) संसाधनों की उपलब्धता के अनुसार हिमाचल प्रदेश सहित देश के अलग-अलग भागों में रेल सुविधाओं में सुधार करना तथा अतिरिक्त रेल सुविधाओं की व्यवस्था करना एक सतत प्रक्रिया है ।

Anomaly in fixation of pay of Reservation Clerks

1223. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received representations from Reservation clerks who joined railways as coaching clerks during 1982 and 1983 in regard to anomaly in pay fixation;

(b) whether in some cases, the fixation of pay has been wrongly considered and juniors are getting more pay than seniors;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) the steps Government propose to take to remove this anomaly ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA) : (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Proposal for Construction of New BG Line between Nagore-Bangalore via Cuddalore

1224. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the State Government has submitted any proposal for construction of new broad gauge line between Nagore-Bangalore via Cuddalore and Nagapattanam ;

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to conduct a survey of this line ; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C. LANKA) : (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Proposal for Mechanising the Maintenance of Railway Tracks

1225. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA : SHRI GAYA SINGH :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether it is fact that Government have a proposal under consideration for mechanising the maintenance of railway tracks to phase out manual labour ;

(b) if so, what are the details of this proposal and the number of manual labour expected to be phased out thereby ; and

(c) whether it is fact that this job is proposed to be given to some private companies, if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There is no such proposal.

Extension of EMU Train upto Tundla

1226. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that daily commuters from Aligarh and Tundla have demanded the extension of EMU train upto Tundla so as to provide facilities to them ; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to extend. EMU train from New Delhi to Tundla; and if so, what are the details in this regard and if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA) : (a) Some representations for running EMU trains between New Delhi/ Delhi and Aligarh have been received.

(b) Introduction of EMU train between New Delhi and Aligarh is under consideration and action as found feasible and justified will be taken. However, at present there is no proposal to run EMU trains upto Tundla.

Conversion of M.G. Lines into B.G. Lines

1227. SHRI P. UPENDRA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Railways have decided to convert the meter gauge lines into broad gauge lines ;

(b) how many route kilometers have since been converted into broad gauge so far ;

(c) whether the conversion work has slowed down in the recent past due to paucity of resources ; and

(d) by when the conversion work is targetted to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA) : (a) The Railways have taken up conversion of selected MG lines to BG.

(b) Project unigauge was taken up w.e.f. 1-4-92. Since then, 2518 kilometers have been converted.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) As per present projection 6000 kms are targetted for completion during 8th Plan. The onversion of remaining lines/sections will depend on availability of resources in the subsequent Plans.

Privatisation of Railway Stations

1228. SHRI GAYA SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Norhtern Railway has proposed to privatise the Moradabad, Bareilly and Dehradun railway stations ;

(b) whether Government have any such proposal for other regions ; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) With the objective of better b eautification/maintenance and increasing revenue from commercial advertisement, contract at five stations *i.e.*, 4 on Western Railway and one on South Eastern Railway has been given to parties who will have exclusive